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TRANSLATION From the INTERNATIONAL SEARCHING AUTHORITY To: WRITTEN OPINION OF THE INTERNATIONAL SEARCHING AUTHORITY (PCT Rule 43bis.1) Date of mailing (day/month/year) Applicant's or agent's file reference FOR FURTHER ACTION JSONY-638PCT See paragraph 2 below International application No. International filing date (day/month/year) Priority date (day/month/year) PCT/JP2004/016794 05.11.2004 07.11.2003 International Patent Classification (IPC) or both national classification and IPC Applicant SONY CORPORATION This opinion contains indications relating to the following items: Box No. I . Basis of the opinion Box No. II Priority Box No. III Non-establishment of opinion with regard to novelty, inventive step and industrial applicability Box No. IV Lack of unity of invention Reasoned statement under Rule 43bis.1(a)(i) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial Box No. V applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement Box No. VI Certain documents cited Box No. VII Certain defects in the international application Box No. VIII Certain observations on the international application **FURTHER ACTION** If a demand for international preliminary examination is made, this opinion will be considered to be a written opinion of the International Preliminary Examining Authority ("IPEA") except that this does not apply where the applicant chooses an Authority other than this one to be the IPEA and the chosen IPEA has notified the International Bureau under Rule 66.1bis(b) that written opinions of this International Searching Authority will not be so considered. If this opinion is, as provided above, considered to be a written opinion of the IPEA, the applicant is invited to submit to the IPEA a written reply together, where appropriate, with amendments, before the expiration of 3 months from the date of mailing of Form PCT/ISA/220 or before the expiration of 22 months from the priority date, whichever expires later. For further options, see Form PCT/ISA/220. For further details, see notes to Form PCT/ISA/220. Name and mailing address of the ISA/JP Authorized officer

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| Box | No. I          | Basis of this opinion  |
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| 1.  | With<br>filed, | regard to the language, this opinion has been established on the basis of the international application in the language in which it was unless otherwise indicated under this item.  |
|     |                | This opinion has been established on the basis of a translation from the original language into the following language   |
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| 1.  | Statement                     |        |   |     |
|     | Novelty (N)                   | Claims | 2, 5-8, 10, 13-17   | YES |
|     |                               | Claims | 1, 3, 4, 9, 11, 12  | NO  |
|     | Inventive step (IS)           | Claims |   | YES |
|     |                               | Claims | 1-7   | NO. |
|     | Industrial applicability (IA) | Claims | 1-7   | YES |
|     |                               | Claims |   | NO  |
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#### 2. Citations and explanations:

### Claims 1, 3, 4, 9, 11, and 12

Document 1 cited in the ISR describes a material for a hole-transporting layer, indicated as Formulas (1) and (2) described in the present application (claim 1 and paragraphs 0031 and 0032). Paragraph 0035 of document 1 suggests that the hole-transporting layer is substantially an electroluminescent layer, so this material for the hole-transporting layer is an electroluminescent material to be used in the electroluminescent layer. When made with this material, the electroluminescent element will naturally emit a green light.

Document 2 suggests that the compound indicated as Formula (1) is used as a material for an electroluminescent element (see claims and paragraphs 0014 and 0016). A person skilled in the art can easily try making this.

#### Claims 2 and 10

In a material described or suggested in documents 1 and 2, a person skilled in the art can easily change the position for replacing the fluoranthane ring.

#### Claims 5 and 13

Document 1 does not describe that the material is used as a dopant. However, because it is a well-known art to use a material for an electroluminescent layer as a dopant, there is no apparent difficulty in adding this feature. Furthermore, document 1 does describe using the material as a dopant (see claims).

#### Claims 6-8 and 14-16

Document 3 describes that an electroluminescent layer is formed by combining a host material comprising a fluoranthane derivative with a guest material such as an anthracene (claims and paragraphs 0023-0026 and 0195-0242). A person skilled in the art can easily use the fluoranthane derivative described or suggested in documents 1 and 2 to form an electroluminescent layer in a similar manner.

#### Claim 17

It is a well-known art to provide a green light-emitting element in some pixels in an organic electroluminescent element, so there is no apparent difficulty in adding this feature.

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(List of cited documents)

Document 1: JP 5-234681A (Eastman Kodak Company), 10 September 1993 Document 2: JP 8-199162 A (Idemitsu Kosan Co., Ltd.), 06 August 1996

Document 3: JP 2002-8867A (TDK Corporation), 11 Jan. 2002